

## Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church

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Sabbath, December 23, 2006

### The Church at Study (9:30-10:25 a.m.)

Lesson Study "From Prison Cell to Palace" Classes

### Outreach (10:30-10:45 a.m.)

"Mission Spotlight"

### Worship in Song (10:50 a.m.)

With Dave Larmer

### The Church at Worship (11:00 a.m.)

Welcome and Announcements Dick Schell

Silent Prayer *Congregation Invited to Join in Silent Prayer*

Preparation "O Come, O Come, Immanuel" (#115) John Behnke

\*Hymn of Praise "Go Tell It on the Mountain" #121

Family Prayer Dick Schell

Lamb's Offering Dick Schell

Children's Story Hope Mwemba

Giving of Gifts Michigan Advance Partners Dick Schell

Offertory "Comfort You My People" (Psalm 42) Paul Manz

Scripture Psalms 40: 1-3 Mwemba Mwemba

Sermon "When Waiting Is Over" Mwemba Mwemba

\*Hymn of Response "Guide Me, O Great Jehovah" #538

Benediction Mwemba Mwemba

Postlude "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen" Alfred Fedak

*\*Congregation stands for hymns*

*Elder in Charge:* Dick Schell *Deacon in Charge :* Walter Smith

*Organist:* Dorothy Moll

*Pastor:* Darren Greenfield *Phone:* (989) 835-4894

Tri-City SDA School *Phone :* (989) 790-2508

*Principal:* Charlotte Anderson

## Welcome to Worship Today

Mid the hurry of the Holidays, may you find time to pause, to reflect, and rejoice in the true meaning of Christmas.

### Events This Week

**Today** Fellowship Dinner in the Activity Center  
Women's Ministry "The Way and Life" 2:00 pm.  
Sunset 5:04 pm

**Monday** Community Services Closed for the Holidays

**Tuesday** Mid-Week Service 7 pm.  
"Paul: Hope Experienced"  
Newsletter information should be sent to Bea Green at BGreen4799@aol.com or 839-1232.  
January newsletter will go out before Dec. 30

**Wednesday** Bulletin info send to Charles McDonald at qcheck@aol.com by 8 pm. Thanks!

**Friday** Sabbath Begins 5:09 pm.

**Sabbath** Offering "Camp Grounds Development"  
Speaker: Gary Minick  
Fellowship Dinner in the Activity Center

### Future Worship Services and Events

**Dec 22-25** Conference Office Closed

**Dec 29-Jan 1** Conference Office Closed

**Dec 30** Speaker: Gary Minick

**Jan 6** Speaker Norman Moll

**Jan 13** GLAA Aerokhanis

**Jan 27** Speaker Pastor Greenfield

## Announcements

**LAST-MINUTE GIFT IDEAS:** Think Academy Worthy Student Fund and Church Expense! If you believe in Christian education, and in helping your fellow man, we still need \$647 to meet our December commitment to Project Assist. If this year you have been enjoying the privileges of an insured, well lighted, warmly heated or nicely cooled church facility, bulletins and other printed materials, regularly tuned pianos and organ, potlucks every week, an attractive, neatly groomed and watered yard, a snow-free parking lot in the winter, and a dedicated staff of teachers at the Tri-City SDA School -- but have not accepted any responsibility for meeting the costs of these blessings -- now is the time to show your appreciation in a tangible way. As of 12/19 we need \$2,700 to cover the expenses already paid this month. Thank you for your generous response.

**Devotional Book:** Devotional books for 2007 are available at reduced prices through December. Flyers and sample books are on the table in the lobby. Put your order on the sign-up sheet on the table.

**"Hope for Humanity"** emphasis has replaced what was known as Ingathering in past years. During December you are encouraged to contribute to "Hope for Humanity" which is used for many kinds of outreach that benefit the disadvantaged. Midland is rebated a portion of what we collect and the funds are given to help people in the Midland community.

**Vespers Program:** Saturday night, January 6, 5:00. We plan to show Dr. Neil Nedley's DVD presentation on frontal lobe function which depression seminar attendees found especially helpful and are inviting our church family to join us as we repeat this program for those who missed it because of Halloween. We will have light snack potluck following the program. Ardith and Norman

**Can you believe** it is almost 2007!!!! With the new year comes a new quarter with new teachers for the adult classes and what sounds like an interesting study of the book of Ecclesiastes. A glimpse into the study guide gives us these subtitles... The Rise and Fall of the House of Solomon, Nothing New Under the Sun, All That My Eyes Desired, Rich Man, Poor Man, God Made Man Upright? What Happened? And more. Please plan to come to Sabbath School at 9:30 a.m. to learn, share, and review what the scriptures say about the basic message of life, death, and our purpose in life. See how God shows us through this study how cynical, bitter, and empty life is apart from the knowledge of Him. The new study guides are now available for you.

**Teachers for the First Quarter** are Ann Ratcliff, Becki Nelson, and Dick Schell. ( Mary Anne walker will fill in for Dick Schell during January.)

**Exercise Classes:** On Monday and Wednesday nights at 5:00 beginning January 8 Becki Nelson will be leading Royal Canadian Exercise program classes in the church's Activity Center. No equipment is necessary ; come in comfortable clothes; classes will end no later than 6:00 p.m.

**Rooms are still needed** for the GLAA Aerokhanis group the evening of January 12 after the Friday night program. Please sign up in the foyer. There will be about 40 of them so we will need everyone who can to help. Contact Reid Tait if you have any questions.

### Radio/TV Log

**24 hrs, 7 days a wk  
Tuesday, 7:30 am**

**3ABN, Broadcast Channel 46?  
It Is Written, Charter Channel 69  
(Court TV)**